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PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
24th December, 1873.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that Thursday, the 25th, Friday, the 26th, and Saturday, the 27th December, will be observed as Holidays at the Public Offices, which will be closed on those days.

By Command.
JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

Proclamation.

[L.S.]

JOSEPH W. TRUTCH.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the faith, &c., &c., &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come,—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

GEO. A. WALKEM } WHEREAS more than two
Attorney-General, } thirds in number of the
resident land owners or occupiers in Sooke District
have applied under "The Fence Ordinance, 1869,"
that the said District shall be erected into a Fence
District.

NOW KNOW YE that by virtue of the authority contained in "The Fence Ordinance, 1869," the Lieutenant-Governor in Council hereby proclaims:— That all that parcel or District of land known as the Sooke District, shall be and is hereby created and erected into a Fence District, by and with the name of "The Sooke Fence District," with, under, and subject, to all and singular the provisions and conditions of "The Fence Ordinance, 1869," in that behalf provided."

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, we have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honorable JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this TWENTIETH day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, and in the thirty-seventh year of Our Reign.

By Command.

JOHN ASH.
Provincial Secretary.

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To all to whom these presents shall come—GREETING.
A PROCLAMATION.

GEO. A. WALKEM, } WHEREAS by the "Members
Attorney-General. } Indemnity Act, 1873," pro-
vision is made for ascertaining by the votes of the
Electors, in the several Electoral Districts, whether
the said Electors assent to the proviso for increased
indemnity to Members of the Legislative Assembly,
as mentioned in Section 1 of the said Act.

And whereas it is provided by Section 8 of the said Act that the Certificates directed to be returned for each District should be taken to represent the number of Members entitled to vote for the District to which such Certificate relates; and should be counted and taken, and should have the same force and effect as if such Member had voted in the Legislative Assembly of this Province on the question decided by such Certificate.

And whereas by Section 9 of the said Act, it is provided that it should be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to proclaim the result of such voting; and that such Proclamation should contain a statement setting forth the name of each Electoral District assenting to, or dissenting from, such increased indemnity.

And whereas the Honorable Joseph William Trutch, as such Lieutenant-Governor in Council as aforesaid, under and by virtue of the powers and authorities conferred upon him in Council as aforesaid, hath proclaimed that the result of the Certificates returned

by the Returning Officers appointed for the several Electoral Districts for that purpose, is against the increased indemnity to Members of the Legislative Assembly; and the particulars of the said Certificates are hereinafter set forth.

NOW KNOW YE, that We, by these presents, do hereby proclaim the result of the Certificates, returned by the said Returning Officers, to be as follows:—

Districts assenting to increased indemnity.	Districts dissenting from increased indemnity.
Cariboo..... 3 Members.	Comox 1 Member.
Kootenay..... 2 "	Yale 3 Members.
Lillooet 2 "	New Westminster City 1 Member.
	New Westminster District 2 Members.
	Victoria District 2 "
	Victoria City 4 "
	Nanaimo..... 1 Member.
	Cowichan..... 2 Members.
7 "	18 "
Majority against increased indemnity..... 11.	

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Public Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honorable JOSEPH WILLIAM TRUTCH, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this Fourteenth day of November, in the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and seventy-three, and in the thirty-seventh year of Our Reign.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

Government Notices.

NOTICE.

WHEREAS by an Order in Council dated the 7th day of June, 1873, of the Honorable the Privy Council of Canada, it has been decided "that Esquimalt, in Vancouver Island, be fixed as the Terminus of the Canadian Pacific Railway, and that a line of Railway be located between the Harbour of Esquimalt and Seymour Narrows, on the said Island;" and whereas in accordance with the Terms of the said Order in Council, application has been made to His Excellency "the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, for a reservation and for the conveyance to the Dominion Government, in trust, according to the 11th Paragraph of the Terms of the Agreement of Union, of a strip of Land Twenty Miles in width along the Eastern Coast of Vancouver Island, between Seymour Narrows and the Harbour of Esquimalt, in furtherance of the construction of the said Railway."

And whereas it has been deemed advisable that the Land within the limits aforesaid should be Reserved, prior to any conveyance aforesaid being made thereof. Public notice is therefore hereby given that from and after this date a strip of Land Twenty Miles in width along the Eastern Coast of Vancouver Island between Seymour Narrows and the Harbour of Esquimalt is hereby Reserved.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
July 1st, 1873.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
August 21st, 1873.

AS it is desirable, in view of framing a scheme for Assisted Immigration to the Province of British Columbia, that the Government should be possessed of the fullest data on which to base calculations as to the number of persons resident in the Province who might be desirous of availing themselves, in the interest of friends, relatives, &c., of any arrangements that may be hereafter made by the Government of the Province in this behalf, all persons settled in the Province who may desire to bring out relatives or friends, and all employers who may wish to bring out labourers or servants, are requested to send the fullest particulars to the Provincial Secretary.

Those desirous of bringing out friends or relatives to state numbers, age, and sex of possible immigrants, and the amount that they are prepared to advance toward the desired object.

With regard to those desirous of bringing out labourers or servants, a guarantee would be required for the repayment to the Government, at stated periods, of the sums advanced for passage, and applicants must state that they are prepared to give the same.

It will be fully understood that by the present notice the Government do not bind themselves to carry out any individual application or any general plan of Assisted Immigration at present, but merely to obtain requisite preliminary information.

By Command

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE,
14th November, 1873.

THE Regulations for the open Competitive Examination for the Civil Service of India in 1874, can be seen on application to the Provincial Secretary.

By Command.

JOHN ASH,
Provincial Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in compliance with an application to that effect, a highway is established in New Westminster District, commencing at the North-east corner of the South-east quarter of Section 11 in Township No. 6, thence running west along the quarter section line, 20 feet on each side thereof, to the north boundary line of lot 26, group 2; thence along the said line, 20 feet on each side thereof, to Fraser River.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands & Works Department,
Victoria, December 22nd 1873.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following highways are established in the District of New Westminster, viz.:—

First,—A highway 66 feet in width, commencing at the landing on W. H. Ladner's pre-emption (Lot 106, Group II.) near the mouth of Chiluktan slough; thence running straight in a south easterly direction, about 30 chains, to a point where the line dividing Townships Nos. 5 and 6 crosses the said slough; thence east, across Chiluktan slough, following said Township line and the line between Townships Nos. 3 and 4, a distance of about seven and one-half miles, and 33 feet on each side thereof, to a point about one mile west from the S. E. corner of Township No. 4; thence running straight in a north easterly direction about one and a half miles to the foot of Uplands; thence due east to intersect with the New Westminster and Semiahmoo road.

Second,—A highway from Boundary Bay, north to Fraser River, following the line between Townships Nos. 3, 5, 4, and 6, and 35 feet on each side thereof.

Third,—A highway commencing at the S. W. corner of Section No. 1, in Township No. 6; thence north running along the line between Sections 1, 2, 11, 12, 13, and 14, and 33 feet on each side thereof, to Fraser River.

Fourth,—A highway commencing at the N. W. corner of Section 35, in Township No. 3; thence south along the line between Sections 34 and 35, and 33 feet on each side thereof, to Boundary Bay.

Fifth,—A highway commencing at the N. W. corner of Section 34, in Township No. 3; thence south running along the line between Sections 33, 34, 28, and 27, 33 feet on each side thereof, to Boundary Bay.

Sixth,—A highway commencing at the N. W. corner of Section 33, in Township No. 3; thence south running along the line between Sections 32, 33, 29, and 28, 33 feet on each side thereof, to Boundary Bay.

Seventh,—A highway commencing at the N. W. corner of Section 32, in Township No. 3; thence south along the line between Sections 31, 32, 30, and 29, 33 feet on each side thereof, to Boundary Bay.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands & Works Department,
Victoria, December 22nd, 1873.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Lands in New Westminster District, offered for sale by Public Auction on the 30th ultimo, and unsold, are now open for sale at the rate of One Dollar per acre, on the following terms, viz:—

A deposit of 50 cents per acre to be paid on application, and the balance in twelve months.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

*Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Office,
Victoria, October 6th, 1873.*

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by an Order in Council dated 3rd September, 1873, it was determined that in the event of a Pre-emptor recording 160 acres of Prairie Land in New Westminster District, he should be allowed to locate Twenty acres of Timbered Land in the vicinity of his pre-emption; the said location to be made under the same rules and regulations as issued under date, 27th August, 1873, as to the purchasing of unsurveyed land from the Crown, excepting as to the cash payment of One Dollar per Acre, but to be subject to the same conditions as to settlement and payment as land recorded as a pre-emption under the "Land Ordinance, 1870," and "Land Ordinance Amendment Act, 1873," and shall appertain to and form an addition to such pre-emption.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

*Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Victoria, September 13th, 1873.*

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by an Order in Council, dated 20th September, 1873, it was determined that Pre-emptors, who have recorded land in error as a pre-emption purchase, under the Land Ordinance of 11th April, 1865, subsequent to the 20th October, 1870, and who have paid a deposit of two shillings and one penny per acre, should be permitted to purchase land at the rate of one dollar per acre, subject to the Land Ordinances, 1870 and 1873, and by complying with the Regulations as to the purchase of unsurveyed land under date 27th of August, 1873, excepting as to the payment of a record fee of five dollars, and by substituting fifty cents per acre in lieu of one dollar, as contained in Section 2 of said Regulations.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

*Chief Commissioner of Lands & Works.
Lands & Works Office,
Victoria, 23rd September, 1873.*

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in compliance with an application to that effect, a highway is established commencing at the corner post of Lots 1 and 2, Subdivisions of Sections 31 Victoria District, on the section line between Sections 44 and 31, and extending Southerly along the line between the said Subdivisions 1 and 2, and twenty feet on each side thereof, to the cross-road, from the Uplands Farm to the Cedar Hill Road.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

*Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works
Lands and Works Office,
Victoria, October 15th, 1873.*

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by an Order in Council, dated 5th September, 1873, it was determined that the price of unsurveyed and unoccupied lands in the Province of British Columbia, should be two dollars and fifty cents per acre, the right to all the precious and baser metals or minerals being reserved to the Crown, provided that no person either individually or as a member of a Company shall be entitled to purchase more than 640 acres.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

*Chief Commissioner Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, 11th September, 1873.*

PUBLIC NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that by an Order in Council, dated 20th September, 1873, it was determined that the price of Mineral Land, with the right to take coal and all the baser metals and minerals, but reserving gold, platinum and silver, should be Ten Dollars per Acre, payable half in cash and the balance in two years, or previous to survey and issue of Crown Grant; and that no person should be allowed either directly or indirectly to purchase more than Six hundred and forty acres as above.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

*Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Office,
Victoria, Sept. 23rd, 1873.*

Miscellaneous Notices.**PUBLIC NOTICE.****QUEEN CHARLOTTE ISLANDS.****LAYING OVER CLAIMS.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on and after the 15th of October, 1873, all Mining Claims legally held on the above Islands will be laid over until the 15th May, 1874.

ROBERT BEAVEN,

Gold Commissioner.

PRIVATE BILLS.

THE time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills in the next Session of the Legislative Assembly, will expire on the 7th day of January, 1874.

J. ROLAND HETT,

Clerk of the Assembly.

*House of Assembly, Victoria,
17th November, 1873.*

NOTICE.**Rules relative to Private Bills.**

ALL applications for Private Bills, properly the subject of legislation by the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia, within the purview of the "British North America Act, 1867," whether for the erection of a Bridge, the making of a Railroad, Turnpike Road, or Telegraph Line; the construction or improvement of a Harbour, Canal, Lock, Dam, or Slide, or other like work; the granting of a right of Ferry; the incorporation of any particular trade or calling, or of any Joint Stock Co.; or otherwise for granting to any individual or individuals any exclusive or peculiar rights or privileges whatever, or for doing any matter or thing which in its operation would affect the rights or property of other parties, or relate to any particular class of the community; or for making any amendment of a like nature to any former Act,—shall require a Notice, clearly and distinctly specifying the nature and object of the application, to be published as follows.—

A notice inserted in the BRITISH COLUMBIA GAZETTE, and in one newspaper published in the District affected, or if there be no newspaper published therein, then in a newspaper in the next nearest District in which a newspaper is published.

Such notice shall be continued in each case for a period of at least six weeks, during the interval of time between the close of the next preceding Session and the consideration of the Petition.

Before any Petition, praying for leave to bring in a Private Bill for the erection of a Toll Bridge, is presented to the House, the person or persons intending to petition for such Bill shall, upon giving the notice prescribed by the preceding rule, also at the same time and in the same manner, give notice of the rates which they intend to ask, the extent of the privilege, the height of the arches, the interval between the abutments or piers for the passage of rafts and vessels, and mentioning also whether they intend to erect a drawbridge or not, and the dimensions of the same.

J. ROLAND HETT,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly.

2nd August, 1873.

"Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I shall, in accordance with the provisions of the "Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870," and at the expiration of three months from the date hereof, recommend the issue of a Crown Grant to JOHN H. MELDRAM, of those pieces or parcels of land situate in the District of Metchosin, and lettered LIV, and LV, on the official map of the said District, unless objection be made to me in writing in the meantime against the issue thereof.

H. B. W. AIKMAN,
Registrar-General.

Land Registry Office,
1st November, 1873.

"Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I shall in accordance with the provisions of the "Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870," and at the expiration of three months from the date hereof, recommend the issue of a Crown Grant to Jane Durrance, of that piece of land (formerly owned by the late Richard Cheeseman), known as Section CVIII, on the official map of Lake District, unless objection be made to me in writing in the meantime against the issue thereof.

H. B. W. AIKMAN,
Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office,
18th October, 1873.

"Crown Grants Ordinance 1870."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I shall in accordance with the provisions of the "Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870," and at the expiration of three months from the date hereof, recommend the issue of a Crown Grant to William Towner, of those pieces of Land known as Sections XVI, XVII, and XVIII, Range II West, on the official map of the District of North Saanich, unless objection be made to me in writing in the meantime against the issue thereof.

H. B. W. AIKMAN,
Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office,
18th October, 1873.

"Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870."

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that I shall, in accordance with the provisions of the "Crown Grants Ordinance, 1870," and at the expiration of Three Months from the date hereof, recommend the issue of a Crown Grant to BENJAMIN PITT GRIFFIN, of all that certain piece of land known as Section LXIII, in the District of Esquimalt, Vancouver Island, unless objection be made to me in writing in the meantime against the issue thereof.

H. B. W. AIKMAN,
Registrar-General.
Land Registry Office,
25th November, 1873.

NOTICE.

IS HEREBY GIVEN that on and after Saturday the Twenty-fifth of October, all Mining Claims legally held in this District will be laid over until the First day of June, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy-four.

CORNELIUS BOOTH,
Government Agent, Acting G. C.
Kootenay, 17th October, 1873.

Gold Commissioner's Notice.

ON and after the 1st of November, next, all Claims in the Cariboo District may be laid over till the 20th May, 1874, subject to the 9th Section of the Gold Amendment Act 1872.

H. M. BALL,
Gold Commissioner.
Richfield, October 9th, 1873.

ROAD TAX.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that if all Road Taxes, and arrears of Road Tax, due and owing in the following Districts:—Sooke, Metchosin, Highland, Lake, North and South Saanich, and Victoria, are not paid forthwith, proceedings will be instituted for recovering the same.

RICHARD WOODS,
Collector.
Sheriff's Office,
Victoria.

PUBLIC NOTICE.**STICKEEN RIVER AND CASSIAR.
LAYING OVER CLAIMS.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on and after the 15th of October, 1873, all Mining Claims legally held in the above localities will be laid over until the 1st June, 1874.

ROBERT BEAVEN,
Gold Commissioner.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, that ELI HARRISON, Junior, of Victoria, British Columbia, intends to apply, next Hilary Term, to be admitted an Attorney and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.

Dated, 20th November, 1873.
ELI HARRISON, Junior.

In the County Court of British Columbia
holden at Richfield.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

WHEREAS a Petition for an adjudication of Bankruptcy was, on the 14th day of November, A. D. 1873, filed at Richfield, in the County Court of British Columbia sitting in Bankruptcy; by JOHN CHIPPE, Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, London, England, and Druggist, carrying on business in the Town of Barkerville, in the Province of British Columbia, under which the said JOHN CHIPPE has been adjudged a Bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that the said Bankrupt is hereby required to surrender himself to the said Court, at the first meeting of creditors to be held before the said Court, at Richfield, on the 28th day of November, instant, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon precisely, and also to the Court, at the second meeting to be held at the same place and hour, on the 29th day of December, A. D. 1873, for the said Bankrupt to pass his examination. At the first meeting creditors are to come and prove their debts and choose an assignee or assignees of the Bankrupt's estate and effects; at the second meeting proof of debts of creditors will be received, and the Bankrupt will be required to submit himself to be examined, and to make a full disclosure and discovery of all his estate and effects and to finish his examination.

Notice is also hereby given to all persons indebted to the said Bankrupt, or that have any of his effects, not to deliver the same but to James Lindsay, of Richfield, Official Assignee, whom the Court has appointed, and give notice to Mr. Barnston, of Barkerville, Solicitor for Bankrupt.

JAMES LINDSAY,
Clerk, County Court, and Official Assignee.
Richfield, November 14th, 1873.

Omineca Mining Court.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that on and after the 15th of October, all mining claims legally held in the Omineca District, will be laid over until the 1st day of June, 1874.

A. W. VOWELL,
Gold Commissioner.
Omineca, 1st October, 1873.